

May 1, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

During these extraordinary times, we are grateful for your continued leadership and the administration's work alongside Congress to provide stability and relief to an American people and economy that are reeling from the COVID-19 pandemic. We also wholeheartedly agree with you that increased federal infrastructure investment should be a top priority in the coming months.

As you know, there are few public sector actions that can deliver the same level of short- and long-term "economic shot in the arm" as transportation infrastructure investment. Increased highway, bridge, public transportation and safety program funding will support direct job creation and retention. This will put in place capital assets that enhance supply chain efficiency and access to jobs, services, materials and markets for decades.

While members of Congress from both parties have spent recent days staking out their priorities for next steps, we greatly appreciate the unequivocal push from you and Treasury Secretary Mnuchin to ensure infrastructure is part of this discussion.

The Senate and House efforts to advance multi-year highway, transit and safety program reauthorization investment proposals provide the road map to fulfill the infrastructure vision you have championed since the 2016 election. And, the overwhelming bipartisan support for infrastructure investment is unparalleled.

With state and local transportation budgets reeling from COVID-19-related travel reductions, increased federal surface transportation investment is needed now more than ever. In fact, failing to deliver an infrastructure initiative would not only be a missed opportunity, but could lead to declines in transportation improvement efforts that could be felt for years to come.

We stand by your side ready to rebuild the highways, bridges and public transportation systems that are so critical to the nation's post-coronavirus rebound.

Sincerely,

American Road & Transportation Builders Association
International Union of Operating Engineers
Laborers' International Union of North America
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
National Retail Federation
National Association of Manufacturers
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
Associated General Contractors of America
Transportation Intermediaries Association (TIA)

National Association of Counties
National League of Cities
American Society of Civil Engineers
National Association of Home Builders
Americans for Transportation Mobility
Agricultural Retailers Association
Mothers Against Drunk Driving
American Highway Users Alliance
North America's Building Trades Unions
American Public Transportation Association
Building America's Future
Associated Equipment Distributors
National Electrical Contractors Association
National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association
American Council of Engineering Companies
American Iron and Steel Institute
The Aluminum Association
Portland Cement Association
National Lime Association (NLA)
American Subcontractors Association
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
National Tank Truck Carriers, Inc.
American Traffic Safety Services Association
National Asphalt Pavement Association
Industrial Minerals Association – North America
American Bus Association
American Council for Capital Formation
Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute
International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association
Auto Care Association
FCA International
Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association (SMACNA)
American Institute of Steel Construction
National Association of Truckstop Operators
Energy Equipment & Infrastructure Alliance
Steel Manufacturers Association
National Association of County Engineers
American Concrete Pipe Association
Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance
Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association
National Safety Council
American Concrete Pavement Association
Construction & Demolition Recycling Association
Institute of Transportation Engineers
National Association of Regional Councils
Railway Supply Institute
The Design-Build Institute of America
American Public Works Association

National Demolition Association
National Lumber and Building Material Dealers Association
Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute
Truck Trailer Manufacturers Association
The Association of Union Constructors (TAUC)
Geospatial Equipment & Technology Institute (GETI)
National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS)
Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE) Association
U.S. Geospatial Executives Organization (U.S. GEO)
Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute
American Society of Concrete Contractors
Women Construction Owners and Executives
National Concrete Masonry Association
American Concrete Pumping Association